

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)
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(Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)

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035737-003

Application Number 10/687,954

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For MINIMALLY INVASIVE GASTROINTESTINAL BYPASS

Art Unit 3761

Examiner Bianco, Patricia

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):

	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee</u>	
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Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

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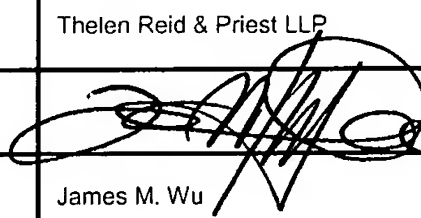
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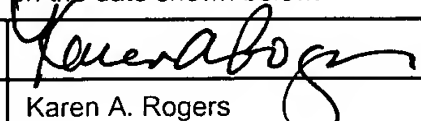
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